



INSURANCE FRAUD INVESTIGATION DIVISION

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Charges and Convictions Activity – January 2006

<u>Desmoines Arthur</u> - On or about 2/2/01, Arthur presented a fake or counterfeit insurance identification card to the Jefferson County Clerk in order to obtain his vehicle registration. On 4/28/04, Arthur was charged with one felony count of Complicity to commit fraudulent insurance acts. On 9/12/2005, he pled guilty to the amended misdemeanor charge of fraudulent insurance acts. He was sentenced to six months conditionally discharged for two years and ordered to pay, jointly and severally with his co-defendants, \$4,650.00 to the Fraud Division for investigative expenses. (Note: court documents were held up due to pending convictions of other defendants in the case.)

<u>Paul Beavers</u> – On or about 6/3/03, Beavers presented a fake or counterfeit certificate for liability insurance and workers' compensation coverage to Outback Builders. On 12/19/05, Beavers was charged with one felony count of fraudulent insurance acts in Nelson Circuit Court.

<u>Black Energy, Inc.</u> – On or about 9/10/04, Black Energy, Inc., acting with the knowledge of high managerial agents, made false statements to Kentucky Employers Mutual Insurance (KEMI) by failing to report an employee on their weekly time sheets in order to avoid additional workers' compensation premiums. On 12/14/05, Black Energy was charged with one felony count of fraudulent insurance acts in Letcher District Court. On 1/13/06, the defendant pled guilty to the amended misdemeanor charge of fraudulent insurance acts, and was ordered to pay a \$2,000.00 fine (\$5,000 with \$3,000 suspended) to the Fraud Division for investigative expenses. Restitution in the amount of \$675.00 was previously paid to KEMI.

<u>Shavonne Coleman</u> – Between 4/6/99 and 8/2/01, Coleman issued or presented 19 fake or counterfeit proof of insurance cards. On 4/28/04, Coleman was charged with 19 felony counts of Complicity to commit fraudulent insurance acts. On 1/10/06, she pled guilty to all 19 counts. She was sentenced to five years each on two counts to run consecutively and two years on all remaining counts to run concurrently for a total of 12 years. She was placed on probation for five years and ordered to pay, jointly and severally with her co-defendants, \$4,650.00 to the Fraud Division for investigative expenses.

Garrett Edward Hunter – Hunter received workers' compensation benefits for an injury suffered by his late wife in 1982. Hunter was eligible to receive such benefits for his lifetime as long as he remained a widower. He returned forms to the insurance company in which he declared he was not remarried, when, in fact, he had remarried in 1996. As a result, Hunter received over \$19,000 in benefits to which he was not entitled. He also has at least two prior felony convictions. On 4/4/05, Hunter was charged with one felony count of fraudulent insurance acts and one count Persistent Felony Offender (PFO) 1st Degree in Crittenden Circuit Court. On 1/12/06, he pled guilty to the felony fraudulent insurance acts and the amended felony charge of Persistent Felony Offender 2nd degree. He was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary to run consecutively to another case in Crittenden Circuit Court. He was ordered to pay court costs in the amount of \$150.00, pay the Public Defender a fee of \$1,250.00, and to also pay costs of his incarceration.

<u>Mary K. Lucas</u> – On or about 12/12/03, Lucas submitted a forged wage and salary verification form to GEICO Insurance in support of her claim for lost wages following an automobile accident. She received approximately \$1,620.00 to which she was not entitled. On 1/4/06, Lucas was charged with one felony count of fraudulent insurance acts in Jefferson Circuit Court.

<u>Sonya Maddox</u> – On or about 6/2/00, Maddox presented a fake or counterfeit insurance identification card to the Jefferson County Clerk in order to obtain her vehicle registration. On 4/28/04, Maddox was charged with one felony count of Complicity to commit fraudulent insurance acts. On 1/10/06, she pled guilty to the amended misdemeanor charge of fraudulent insurance acts. She was sentenced to six months conditionally discharged for two years and ordered to pay, jointly and severally with her co-defendants, \$4,650.00 to the Fraud Division for investigative expenses.

<u>Lakei Myers</u> - On or about 2/18/00, Myers presented a fake or counterfeit insurance identification card to the Jefferson County Clerk in order to obtain her vehicle registration. On 4/28/04, Myers was charged with one felony count of Complicity to commit fraudulent insurance acts. On 1/10/06, she pled guilty to the amended misdemeanor charge of fraudulent insurance acts. She was sentenced to six months conditionally discharged for two years and ordered to pay, jointly and severally with her co-defendants, \$4,650.00 to the Fraud Division for investigative expenses.

<u>David Pfefferman</u> – On or between 6/2/03 and 6/12/03, Pfefferman D/B/A Excavators, Inc., presented a fake or counterfeit bid bond certificate to the city of Stanford as evidence of insurance in order to obtain a contract for a construction project. On 10/31/05, Pfefferman was charged with one felony count of fraudulent insurance acts in Lincoln Circuit Court.

<u>Donald Pitteard</u> - On or about 6/7/00, Pitteard presented a fake or counterfeit insurance identification card to the Jefferson County Clerk in order to obtain his vehicle registration. On 4/28/04, Pitteard was charged with one felony count of Complicity to commit fraudulent insurance acts. On 1/10/06, he pled guilty to the amended misdemeanor charge of fraudulent insurance acts. He was sentenced to six months conditionally discharged for two years and ordered to pay, jointly and severally with his co-defendants, \$4,650.00 to the Fraud Division for investigative expenses.

<u>Mark Wagoner</u> – On or between 1/25/05 and 2/3/05, Wagoner presented or caused to be presented to a workers' compensation carrier a fraudulent off work slip and a fraudulent letter from his doctor in order to continue collecting temporary total disability benefits. On 11/15/05, Wagoner was charged with two felony counts of Forgery 2nd Degree in Muhlenberg District Court.